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SUBJ: DISCREPANCIES IN U.S. AND YUGOSLAV TRADE STATISTICS

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1. WE APPRECIATE DEPT. AND COMMERCE ACTION TO IDENTIFY AND RESOLVE THE DIFFERENCES WHICH HAVE LED TO DISCREPANCIES BETWEEN U.S. AND YUGOSLAV TRADE FIGURES.
2. ON THIS END WE HAVE BROUGHT THE MATTER UP WITH OFFICIALS OF THE FOREIGN TRADE SECRETARIAT WHO ARE NOW WORKING TO ISOLATE PROBLEMS IN THEIR OWN METHODOLOGY.
3. FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL TOLD US PRIVATELY THAT FSFT'S EFFORTS ARE TURNING UP A NUMBER OF ERRORS AND INCORRECT USAGES SUCH AS TREATING LEASING ARRANGEMENTS AS PHYSICAL IMPORTS.
4. AN INTERESTING FOOTNOTE IS GOY'S WILLINGNESS TO IGNORE THEIR SELF-DEFINED TRADE IMBALANCE WITH THE U.S. WHEN TRYING TO EXTRACT CONCESSIONS FROM THE EC. RECENT ENGLISH-LANGUAGE TANJUG ARTICLE ON UNFAVORABLE TRENDS IN TRADE WITH EC ENDS QTE IF YUGOSLAV DEMANDS FOR AN INCREASE IN YUGOSLAV EXPORTS TO THE EC ARE NOT ACCEPTED, THE YUGOSLAV ECONOMY WILL BE FORCED TO SEEK MORE UNDERSTANDING PARTNERS WHOSE TRADE OFFERS PROSPECTS OF A LOWER DEFICIT. FOREMOST AMONG THESE IS THE UNITED STATES,

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WITH WHICH YUGOSLAVIA HAS WELL DEVELOPED AND VIRTUALLY BALANCED TRADE. UNQTE.
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